TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship for April 25, 2021

Gathering Music Welcome & Announcements Prelude – Call to Worship

> Holy God, creator of all, the risen Christ taught from Scripture of his death, resurrection, and ascension into your glorious presence. May the living Lord breathe on us his peace, that our eyes may be opened to recognize him in breaking bread and to follow wherever he leads, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Anthem

Call to Confession

Seeing that we have a great High Priest

who has entered the inmost heaven, Jesus the Son of God,

let us therefore approach the throne of grace with fullest confidence,

that we may receive mercy for our failures

and grace to help in the hour of need.

In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God.

-based on Hebrews 4:14, 16

Our Father, forgive us for thinking small thoughts of you and for ignoring your immensity and greatness.

Lord Jesus, forgive us when we forget that you rule the nations and our small lives.

Holy Spirit, we offend you in minimizing your power and squandering your gifts.

We confess that our blindness to your glory, O triune God, has resulted in shallow confession, tepid conviction, and only mild repentance.

Have mercy upon us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Silent Confession

(A time of silence will be observed for personal confession .)

Assurance of Pardon

The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds. The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down. —Psalm 145:13-14, NRSV

Our Response Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me. See, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.

Refrain: "Come home, come home! You who are weary, come home." Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling, "O sinner, come home!" Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me? Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, mercies for you and for me? [Refrain]

Sharing Our Faith with Our Children

*Hymn Morning Has Broken

Morning has broken Like the first morning, Blackbird has spoken Like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing Fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall Sunlit from heaven, Like the first dewfall On the first grass. Praise for the sweetness Of the wet garden, Sprung in completeness Where God's feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning Born of the one light Eden saw play! Praise with elation, Praise every morning, God's recreation Of the new day!

Glory to God: Presbyterian Hymnal #469

First Scripture Lesson

Acts 3:12-19

3:12 When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?

3:13 The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. 3:14 But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, 3:15 and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses.

3:16 And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

3:17 "And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers.

3:18 In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer.

3:19 Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out,

Second Scripture Lesson

Luke 24:36b-48

24:36b While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

24:37 They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost.

24:38 He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?

24:39 Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have."

24:40 And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.

24:41 While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?"

24:42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish,

24:43 and he took it and ate in their presence.

24:44 Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you--that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled."

24:45 Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures,

24:46 and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day,

24:47 and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

24:48 You are witnesses of these things.

Sermon – New Life Rev. Jennifer A. Baer

*Hymn Thine is the Glory

Thine be the glory, Risen, conquering Son: Endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won. Angels in bright raiment Rolled the stone away, Kept the folded grave clothes Where Thy body lay.

Refrain: Thine be the glory, Risen conquering Son; Endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, Risen from the tomb; Lovingly, He greets us, Scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness Hymns of triumph sing, For her Lord now liveth; Death hath lost its sting. [Refrain]

No more we doubt Thee, Glorious Prince of life! Life is naught without Thee; Aid us in our strife. Make us more than conquerors Through Thy deathless love; Bring us safe through Jordan To Thy home above. [Refrain] Glory to God: the Presbyterian Hymnal #122

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Offertory –

*Doxology (Hymn 592)

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

*Sending Forth and Benediction *Choral Response The Old Rugged Cross

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame; and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain.

Refrain: So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown.

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world, has a wondrous attraction for me; for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above to bear it to dark Calvary. [Refrain]

Postlude

Liturgist: Jan Hunt Soloist: Frank Spencer Head Deacon: Michele Rittenhouse Pastor: Rev. Jennifer A. Baer

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